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SUBJECT:ROK-ARAB RELATIONS

1. IN RESPONSE MOFA REQUEST FOR USG COMMENTS ON ROK ACTION SUGGESTED BY ARAB LEAGUE REP. NASR, DEPT. BELIEVES EMBASSY SHOULD ENCOURAGE ROK TO INCREASE ECONOMIC TIES WITH ARAB STATES WHILE INDICATING OUR STRONG VIEWS AGAINST ANY RECOGNITION OF THE PLO.

2. WITH REGARD RECOGNITION OF PLO, USG WOULD HOPE KOREA WOULD NOT MAKE STATEMENT RECOGNIZING PLO AS "SOLE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE." SUCH RECOGNITION DOES NOT ENHANCE PROSPECTS FOR MIDDLE EAST PEACE. ON THE CONTRARY, IT TENDS TO PREJUDGE OUTCOME OF ISSUES WHICH PROPERLY ARE SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

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ALL CONCERNED REALIZE THAT NO MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT CAN BE ACHIEVED OR PROVE DURABLE IF LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF THE PALESTINIANS ARE NOT MET. USG FEELS IT IMPORTANT - AND HOPES KOREA WILL SHARE THIS VIEW - THAT STATEMENTS WHICH GO

BEYOND "LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF PALESTINIANS" SHOULD BE
AVOIDED IN INTEREST OF ON-GOING NEGOTIATIONS.

3. AS ROKG IS AWARE, USG HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN ENCOURAGING
SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER ARAB STATES TO EXPLORE INVESTMENT
AND TRADE POSSIBILITIES WITH ROK. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN
SUPPORTIVE OF ROK INTERESTS IN NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AND
UNGA IN OUR BILATERAL DEALINGS WITH ARAB CAPITALS. WHILE
WE WOULD SEE NO PROBLEMS WITH OFFER OF TECHNICAL ASSIST-
ANCE TO EGYPT, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT THIS BE EXPLORED
WITH EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT AND NOT SOLELY WITH ARAB LEAGUE.

4. AS TO UTILITY OF SPECIAL ROK MISSION TO MEET PRESI-
DENT OF ARAB LEAGUE IN CAIRO, WE DOUBT WHETHER THIS WOULD
HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON POSITION OF ARAB COUNTRIES
AT NAC ON ADMISSION OF TWO KOREAS, EVEN AFTER ANY STATE-
MENT RECOGNIZING PLO (TO WHICH WE WOULD OBJECT), SINCE
ARABS TEND TO FOLLOW RADICAL LEAD IN INTERNATIONAL FORA.
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